

SENATE—Tuesday, April 20, 1999

The Senate met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Today the prayer will be offered by our guest Chaplain, Rev. Donald Mackay III, St. John's Episcopal Church, Kirkland, WA.

We are glad to have you with us.

PRAYER

The guest Chaplain, Rev. Donald Mackay III, of St. John's Episcopal Church, Kirkland, WA, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, Sovereign Father of our Nation, we acknowledge Your presence in our lives on this day. We thank You for calling the men and women of the Senate to lead this Nation on the path of righteousness. As they carry out the mission that You have given them, we pray that their ears may be open to hear Your voice with clarity, discernment, and understanding.

You have revealed through the prophets of old what You require of those in positions of power and leadership. On this day, enable each Senator to hear with new awareness the challenge to "do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with their God."—Micah 6: 8b. As they consider issues relating to the military conflict in Yugoslavia, give them wisdom beyond their learning that their response to Your direction may be lived out in courage by words spoken, decisions made, and actions taken.

May their work this day—begun, continued, and ended in You—be anointed by Your gracious hand as You guide this Nation to its appointed destiny.

We ask these things in the name of our Lord. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able acting majority leader is recognized.

Mr. CRAPO. I thank the Chair.

SCHEDULE

Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, under the order of last night, the Senate will be in a period of morning business until 11:30 a.m.

EXTENSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

I now ask unanimous consent that morning business be extended until 12:30 p.m. under the previous conditions.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. CRAPO. Following morning business, the Senate will recess until 2:15 p.m. to accommodate the weekly party caucus luncheons. When the Senate reconvenes at 2:15, it will begin consideration of the budget reform legislation, with votes possible throughout the day on this bill or any other legislative or executive items cleared for action. This week we also expect to vote on the adoption of the education flexibility conference report.

I thank my colleagues for their attention.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able Senator from Washington State is recognized.

GUEST CHAPLAIN DONALD MACKAY III

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I note with great pleasure the prayer this morning was given by Father Mackay, the rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in Kirkland, WA. That is the church I most frequently attend when I am in my home State, and I attend it because of his great qualities as a pastor and a leader of his congregation. The magnificent spiritual guidance he gives both individually and collectively to that congregation makes it one of the most satisfying and religiously exciting churches that it has ever been my privilege to attend during a relatively long life.

He is here, however, not by my invitation but at the invitation of my friend and colleague from Montana, Senator BURNS. Father Mackay hails from Montana. His brother, I believe, is State director for Senator BURNS, and it was his imagination and thoughtfulness that invited Don here today. I thank him. I thank our regular Chaplain, Lloyd Ogilvie, and I thank Father Mackay for a wonderful and inspiring prayer.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CRAPO). The Senator from Montana.

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I join my friend from Washington in welcoming Father Mackay. His family has deep roots in the State of Montana. If you ever hear of the brands TopHat and LazyEL, those are famous brands in our State up in the Red Lodge country and Roscoe, MT. We have bumper stickers saying, "Where in the world is Roscoe?"

I welcome Father Mackay. He comes from a family of folks who have donated resources and time to public service. He was also the pastor in Billings before going to Washington. We hated to lose him from the Billings community. But when you look at the

family and his uncles and going back to his grandfather, they have a rich tradition and great American values.

Of course, I thank Dr. Ogilvie for allowing this privilege today and welcome Don to the Senate and to Washington, DC. I often call this 17 square miles of logic free environment, but knowing Father Mackay, he will have it all figured out by the end of the day. So welcome.

I yield the floor. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative assistant proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ENZI). Without objection, it is so ordered.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 12:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each. Under the previous order, the Senator from Arizona, Mr. MCCAIN, is recognized to speak for up to 15 minutes.

The Senator from Arizona.

(The remarks of Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. HAGEL, pertaining to the introduction of S.J. Res. 20 are located in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the privilege of the floor be granted to an American Political Science Association fellow on the minority staff of the Foreign Relations Committee, David Auerswald, during the pendency of floor debate on Kosovo and the United States use of force when that occurs, and as often as that occurs, on the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the Senator from Minnesota.